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In re the Application of:

TOCHISHITA, et al.

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Examiner: **Ram N. Kackar**

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For: **SURFACE-TREATING SUPPORT MEMBER,
SURFACE-TREATING HOLDER, SURFACE-TREATING
PROCESS, AND SURFACE TREATING APPARATUS**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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January 9, 2004

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated **September 10, 2003** for **one** month from **December 10, 2003** to **January 10, 2004**.

Attached please find a check in the amount of **\$110.00** to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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